LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Ciera Cole upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished Girl Scout Silver Award, the most prestigious of Cadette Scouting honors, on May 21, 2013

WHEREAS, Ciera Cole, through her diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Cadette Scouting's highest honor, the Girl Scout Silver Award; the ceremony will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, at Elmira College, Elmira, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ciera Cole is a member of Girl Scouts of America Troop 40405, Montour Falls, New York; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting has cultivated in our Nation's young people the goals of building solid values of sisterhood and the importance of working with others, stimulating both mind and body, instilling pride, and encouraging community service and success; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting has expanded the horizons of the countless hundreds of thousands who have participated in Scouting programs which have made Scouting an American and international institution; and

WHEREAS, America has achieved her greatest heights of glory through the dedication, determination and tireless efforts of the outstanding citizens of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, It is only with the continued diligence and devotion of our youth, tomorrow's leaders, that America will maintain her glory; and

WHEREAS, Ciera Cole completed a Silver Award community service project which she planned, developed and executed; for her project, this exemplary Girl Scout worked with the director of the Odessa Century 21 After School Program creating buttons to be worn once a month in an effort to eliminate bullying; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Ciera Cole gathered donated stuffed animals to put in a treasure box as a reward for those students who wore their button; and

WHEREAS, The Silver Award is earned over a two-year period; it is tangible evidence of Ciera Cole's high character and commitment, and is a harbinger of her future service to her community, New York State and our Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations, in recognition of the significance of this meritorious achievement, to congratulate and honor Ciera Cole upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Girl Scout Silver Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ciera Cole.